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August 1, 1991

## CERTIFIED MAIL #P668 079 604-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Raymond Basso, Chief
New Jersey Compliance Branch
Emergency and Remedial Response Division
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region II
26 Federal Plaza, Room 747
New York, New York 10278

Re: Consent Decree - Diamond Alkali Site Attention: Jonathan Josephs

Dear Mr. Basso:

In response to your letter of July 24, 1991 to William C. Hutton of Maxus, I am furnishing you a copy of the trust agreement for the standby trust fund Letter of Credit No. 103399 and a duplicate copy of the Letter of Credit in the amount of \$4,000,000 and amendment No. 3 thereto. These submissions will satisfy your requests I.a. and b.

As requested by Mr. Edward Masek of Maxus, Mr. Jonathan Josephs of your staff agreed on behalf of EPA that it will be satisfactory for Maxus to complete its response on or before August 19, 1991.

This extension of time is necessary because of vacation absences of key personnel required to reply to your request.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Mel Skaggs

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c w/encl: Mr. Jonathan Josephs CERCLA Project Manager

Diamond Alkali Superfund Site

P. Lange, NJDEP

b: josephs.epa/ejm/791

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Amendment No. 3 to Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. 94346

Place of issue:

Dallas, Texas U.S.A.

Date of Issue: May 2, 1991

Applicant:

Occidental Chemical Corporation

(formerly Diamond Shamrock Chemical

Company) 10889 Wilshire Boulevard

Los Angeles, California 90024

Honorable Christopher Dagget,

Commissioner: New Jersey Department of Environmental

Protection CN402

Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Attn: Michael F. Catania, Director

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Region II

.26 Federal Plaza

New York, New York 10278

Gentlemen:

The above credit is amended as follows:

The expiration date is extended to May 2, 1992.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

This amendment is to be considered an integral part of the above Letter of Credit and should be attached thereto.

NCNB Texas National Bank

Authorised Signature